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Hongkong, 1st August, 1880.

the abilities and character of the British Consul at Canton. But it would be idle for us not to recognise that there is one other serious stumbling block in the way of Mr. Aranaria's promotion to the Legation at Peking. Unfortunately for British interests in China he is not the senior Consul. Mr. P. J. Hughes, the Consul-General at Shanghai, than whom it would be difficult to find a more genial gentleman or worthier man, has fifteen months' seniority over Mr. ALABASTER, and in the ordinary course of the Foreign Office would hesitate to pass over Mr. Hughes. There are no black marks on the latter's record; on the contrary he has an excellent list of services to his credit. That has never been mentioned as a possible Minister is due to the conviction widely entertained that he has not the firmness and decision of character necessary for success in that capacity. Mr. Hughes has won general esteem by his modesty, kindness of heart, and genuine amiability of character, but he is not the kind of man the Foreign Office would select as likely to prove a successful diplomatist. The case is otherwise with Mr. ALABASTER, and his diplomatic abilities have been recognised by his employment on special work on various occasions when tact, judgment, and decision were specially required. Such for instance as when in 1862 he was sent to the Chinese Government to assist in the reorganisation of the Sung-kiang force; when in 1884 he was appointed to proceed to Nanking to congratulate the Viceroy on the capture of that city; and when he was despatched in the same year to go to Szechow with the Russian Consul-General to investigate the case of certain Europeans who had been murdered there. In short, while Mr. HUGHES will probably not be considered suitable as Minister, Mr. ALABASTER's services, attainments, and abilities mark him out specially for the position. But, as we have said, the seniority question may bar his way to the Legation, and it is possible that on this account Lord SALISBURY has been looking elsewhere for a successor to Sir

A serious fire occurred at Manila on the 30th June, in which Nos. 33, 35, 40, and 43 Rosario Street, 2, 3, and 6 Sacral Street, and 1 and 3 Calvario Lane were gutted, and a number of other houses damaged. The loss is estimated at half a million dollars. The insurance on the contents, exclusive of the houses, amounts to \$128,000.

The band of the 91st A. & S. Highlanders will play the following programme at the Barrack Square this evening, commencing at half past seven:

"Le Pepe la Violette" Game.

"Old Guard" Crook.

"Love Dreamland" Roder.

"Folks" Cleaver.

"The Village Festival" Waterson.

"The Troopers" Waterson.

REUTER'S TELEGRAM.

[SUPPLIED TO THE "DAILY PRESS"]

LONDON, 5th August.

SEIZURE OF A BRITISH STEAMER IN AFRICA.

The Portuguese have seized a British steamer in the Shire river, and Portugal has ordered a severe punishment upon all concerned.

THE CRISIS IN THE ARGENTINE REPUBLIC.

The excitement in Buenos Ayres over the financial crisis still continues.

[FROM MANILA PAPERS]

MADRID, 30th July.

THE STRIKES IN SPAIN.

The strikes in Spain have terminated.

DRIFTING FOR FORTY-EIGHT DAYS.

A Fever-Stricken Ship.

The British barque *Lancaster*, Captain Burns, which arrived here yesterday from New York, brings a terrible tale of the sea. On the 22nd June last, when in lat. 22° 22' S. long. 110° E. she fell in with a British barque flying distress signals. On going alongside the vessel, a terrible state of affairs was discovered. The vessel was the *Gullwing Star*, and was bound from Mauritius to Hobart Town, with a cargo of sugar. The captain, the mate, the steward, and one of the seamen had died of Mauritius fever, five other seamen were with the same disease in more or less severe form, and of the whole ship's company, but one man was able to get about. The steward had been the first to sicken and he died in the early part of May, the other victim following him, but with a few days interval between the deaths. The ship had been drifting for forty-eight days and there was neither medicine nor coal on board and but little food. Those on board begged that Captain Burns would take them on board their ship. This request, it was, of course, impossible to accede to, Captain Burns having the safety of his own company to consider. He, however, sent his mate and two seamen on board to navigate the ship, and also sent them seals, medicine, extract of beef and other comforts. Both ships then left for Ayer. The *Lancaster* arrived there at about 3.30 p.m. on the 10th July and about an hour and a half later the *Gullwing Star* arrived. A mate, who was in charge of her, reported that "no further death had occurred, probably owing to the medicine and attention the men had received, and the condition of the sick was improvement in the condition of the sick. All of them, however, were suffering from the 'shakes' and the boatswain, doubtless from the sufferings he had undergone, had sunk into a state of delirium. Captain Burns communicated with the British Consul at Batavia, and it was arranged that the ship should be sent on to the port. The services of the mate being required on board his own ship, and no mate being obtainable at Ayer, one of the ships there was put on board to take her to Batavia, the two seamen from the *Lancaster*, also accompanying the vessel.

CLARET.

A Superior Breakfast Claret.

Red capsule. \$4.50.

B St. Estephe, Red Capsule. 4.50.

C St. Julien. 7.50.

C. M. Mansfield, Pals Natural.

Sherry, White (Capsule). 10.

CC Superior Old Dry, Pals.

Natural Sherry, Red Seal.

Capsule. 10.

D Very Superior Old Pals.

White, Red capsule. 12.

E Extra Superior Old Dry.

Dry, very great quality.

Black Seal Capsule (Old Bottled). 14.

Per Case. Per Doz.

1 doz. Per Case.

Quarts. Pints.

CLARET.

A Superior Breakfast Claret.

Red capsule. \$4.50.

B St. Estephe, Red Capsule. 4.50.

C St. Julien. 7.50.

D La Ross. 12.00.

Per Case. Per Doz.

BRANDY.

A' Hennessy's Old Pals, Red Capsule. \$12.

B' St. Estephe, Old Cognac, Red capsule. 14.

C' Very Old Liqueur Cognac, Red Capsule. 18.

D' Hennessy's Finest Very Old Liqueur Cognac. 1572.

E' Vintage, Red Capsule. 24.

Per Case. Per Doz.

SCOTCH WHISKY.

A' Thorne's Blend, White Capsule. 8.

B' Watson's Glenlivet, Mel. low Hand, Blue capsule, with Name and Trade Mark. 8.

C' Watson's Abolcon-Glenlivet, Red Capsule, with Name and Trade Mark. 8.

D' Watson's K. D. Blend of Blended Scotch Whisky. 8.

E' Watson's Very Old Scotch Whisky, Gold capsule. 10.

F' Watson's Extra Old Scotch Whisky, Gold capsule. 12.

G' Watson's Very Fine Old, Green Capsule. 14.

H' John Jameson's Old Green Capsule. 8.

I' John Jameson's Fine Old Green Capsule. 10.

J' John Jameson's Very Fine Old, Green Capsule. 12.

K' John Jameson's Very Fine Old, Green Capsule, with Name. 10.

L' Old Tom, White Capsule. 12.

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BRANDY.

A' Hennessy's Old Tom, White Capsule. 4.50.

B' Fine Unpeated, White Capsule. 4.50.

C' Fine A. V. H. Geissler. 55.00.

RUM.

F' Old Tom, White Capsule. 12.

G' Fine Old Tom, White Capsule. 12.

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WHISKY.

A' John Jameson's Old Green Capsule. 8.

B' John Jameson's Fine Old Green Capsule. 10.

C' John Jameson's Very Fine Old Green Capsule. 12.

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Men are included in the first 900 for the Queen's Guard. The horses are unusually high, owing to the excellence of the new ranges.

THE WINNER OF THE QUEEN'S PRIZE.

LONDON, 22nd July. Sergeant Bates, of the 1st Battalion Warwick Regiment, is the winner of the Queen's prize.

THE LIVERPOOL CUP.

LONDON, 23rd July. The following is the result of the Liverpool Cup, run to-day:—First, Captain first; Mr. H. H. de Jager, second; Shillie, third.

THE PRESIDENT PRESIDENT FIREMAN.

LONDON, 17th July.

A lunatic named Jacob fired a revolver at President Chester yesterday, and was immediately arrested. The revolver was found to be charged with blank cartridges.

BULGARIA. (CONTINUED.)

CONSTANTINOPLE, 21st July. Yielding to pressure from the Bulgarian Government, the Sultan has issued a firman authorizing the nomination of three Bulgarian bishops in Macedonia. This has given great umbrage to Russia, Serbia and Greece.

REPORT OF DEFEAT OF THE MAHDI.

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Latest advice from Newfoundland states that the commandant of the British cruiser "Crown" has withdrawn the machine from Bayside Wharf, factory, and will indemnify Mr. Baird for all damage caused by stoppage of work.

THE COTTON CROP IN AMERICA.

WASHINGTON, 10th July.

The Agricultural Society of the Commonwealth of the Slaveholding States, that the average condition of the crop is 97.16 per cent. The crop is in a forward state on the Atlantic Coast but late in the South West. The seedling is full of vigour, and the growth of good colour and high promise, and very few from rust and worms.

THE U.S. COMBINE BILL.

Washington, 10th July.

In the House of Commons this evening Sir Richard Temple presented additional petitions from the Paroch against the introduction of the elective principle in the Indian Council Bill.

THE ORGANIZATION OF THE EUROPEAN ARMY IN INDIA.

LONDON, 19th July.

A meeting was held yesterday of the Indian Association, when a vote was given to General Cawnpore on the subject of the organization of the European army in India. In it he condemns the continual withdrawal of seceded soldiers, and recommends a separate force for India, recruits on enlisting choosing whether they were desirous of serving at home or in India.

COTTONIST FOR INDIA.

MANCHESTER, 5th July.

Brigadier-General Bawden, Commanding Bangalore District, has issued an order requiring the Duty Surgeon General to arrange for the instruction of two men per company in the infantry regiments in cutting off tails and treatment of scars, blisters, &c. These men will when instructed, be held responsible for the care of men's feet in their companies.

A NEW ONE IN INDIA.

ATLANTIC, 11th July.

A coal-field of considerable extent has been found at Laabio, in the Shan States, lying north-east of Mandalay and about 140 miles distant therefrom. Communication will have to be improved before the coal can be available for use on railways or river steamers.

THE FOREIGN TRADE OF INDIA.

During the months of April and May the foreign trade of India underwent some remarkable fluctuations compared to the corresponding months of 1889. The imports show a decline of 88 laka. While exports increased in value by 92 laka. The rise was chiefly due to increased shipments of raw cotton. This accounted for 58 laka of the increase, the rest being mainly due to large shipments of jute and seeds.

THE GRENADIER GUARDS.

The Times of the 8th July says:—The statement in some of the evening papers of yesterday regarding a "mutiny" of the 2nd Battalion of the Grenadier Guards, are, as many of them, either altogether incorrect or grossly exaggerated. The real facts of the case appear to be as follows. Colonel Maitland, commanding the 2nd Battalion, and his battalion was ordered to Pictou on the 1st of July. Thereafter, the worst was to be, was in terrible condition, and issued instructions last Saturday that a general parade in marching order was to take place at 8.30 a.m. yesterday. Yesterday happened to be the day on which the battalion had to furnish the guards, but Colonel Maitland, who had been away all day, was not as far off as to those who wished to spend their Sunday morning in Pictou. At 8.30 a.m. yesterday morning, when the command was given, appeared on the barracks-square, and the bugle sounded only some half-dozen feet off the barracks, in the rest remaining in their rooms. On perceiving that there was design in all this, Colonel Maitland sent the officers to their respective companies to bring the men down, and the latter came on parade at once. The bugle sounded again at 8.30 a.m. yesterday morning, when the command was given, and it appears that there was no heating, that the men did not look themselves up in their barracks-rooms, that General Philip Smith, commanding the brigade, was not sent for, and that there is no feeling of dislike towards the company officers. The bugle sounded again at 8.30 a.m. yesterday morning, when the command was given, and it appears that any one who had the confidence to make night wake them. The mutiny was re-peated without result. Colonel Maitland is an able and zealous officer, who infuses himself much in the welfare of his men, but he has been rather energetic in the matter of drills and inspections. This, however, is no excuse for the mutiny of the battalion, and, for, as far as the bugle is concerned, as to those who are healthily and have a reasonable amount of time for recreation, he has no right to complain. He tells his whole tale to the Governor, and any leisure for amusement is a boon. The fact is, insubordination is catching, there is much of it about in ages, classes, and occupations, and a few protracting. Some of the men have probably got hold of a book or two, and are using them to the best of their ability.

In conclusion, while condemning the conduct of the 2nd Battalion Grenadier Guards as strongly as possible, we refuse to admit for a moment that yesterday morning there was any mutiny or anything approaching to one.

The Press Association says:—Inquiries made last evening into the discussion expressed in the 2nd Battalion Grenadier Guards, and the result of the same, show that the men have been complaining of excessive drills and guard.

By the 2nd account, what actually occurred in the barracks yesterday morning was that when the bugle sounded the parade at 8.30 a.m. there was no response from the men, who kept their quarters. An order was issued on the previous evening that a "mild inspection" in heavy marching order should take place yesterday morning, the men who were detailed to bring their rifles were before the higher military authorities by answering to the call for

parade. Colonel Maitland, commanding, it is stated, on finding that the men remained in their rooms, proceeded thither and was, it is alleged, disrespectfully received. On his retirement his officers urged the men to attend the parade as they pleased, and, when they did, they turned out on the parade in full marching order in fatigue and fatigue dress. Colonel Maitland addressed the men, and it is said, threatened to send for the Scots Guards, who were then being inspected in Hyde Park by the Duke of Connaught. Murmurs were heard to the effect that the Scots Guards would be sent to the barracks. The commandant then sent to the barracks the 2nd Battalion, and each company appointed a delegate to explain. They complained that the regiment had yesterday a double guard duty, viz. at St. James's Palace and the Lord's, and that a number of the men had just come on guard. They also thought it was hard to do all those duties and then parade in the drill of the Victoria Nyanza. A staff officer was sent to the barracks to inspect the men, and the colonel said the regiment might be sent abroad for instruction, but the master, it is understood, is now in the hands of the War Office.

OFFICERS, 23rd July. The Duke of Connaught, who is the Commander-in-Chief, has issued a general order to Wellington Barracks that all the men of the 2nd Grenadier Guards who refused to go on parade should be strictly confined to barracks, and this order will be strictly enforced.

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CAPITAL

£175,100
Divided into 1,700 Ordinary Shares of £100
each and 340 Founder Shares of £15 each.

TERMS OF SUBSCRIPTION
For the Ordinary Shares—25% on Application,
5% on Allotment, 5% on the 1st September,
1890, and 5% on the 1st October, 1890, and
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must be paid in full up as an Allotment.

Founders' Shares will be allotted to applicants
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each five Ordinary Shares allotted.

The Founder Shares will not be entitled to
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Articles of Association provide, will be
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BANKERS:
THE HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANK-
ING CORPORATION.

SORTEURS:
Mr. J. CHEAGH.

BROKERS, AND SECRETARIES (pro tem.):
Messrs. ABEIL AND RALSTON.

ABRIDGED PROSPECTUS.

This Company is formed for the purpose of
acquiring and carrying on the well-known and
lucrative Hotel business conducted for many
years by the late Mr. G. Green, and for the past
six years by Mr. W. G. Johnson, who is now
desirous of relinquishing active participation in
the management, and shows his entire confidence
in the success of the Company by becoming a
large holder of Shares.

The property purchased by the Company is as
follows:—

A piece of land having a frontage to the Bund
of 246 ft. 5 in. and held in perpetuity from the
Japanese Government at an almost nominal
rent. This ground was the first sold in
October, 1886, and is now the property of the
Company.

The building of the Hotel is situated at
the corner of Des Voeux Road and the Bund,
and in close proximity to the Harbour, the chief
landing place for passengers from vessels visiting
Kobe.

The building is substantially constructed of
stone and brick, and has recently been
repaired and painted, and contains spacious Bed
and Dining-Rooms, large Dining-Room, Bed
Room, Waiting-Room, and extensive accom-
modation for guests, in short, all the require-
ments of a first-class Hotel.

Two houses (two stories) adjoining and
connected with the Hotel, each containing six rooms,
one house (two stories) separated from the
Hotel by a wide garden now on the property
acquired by the Company, and containing seven
rooms.

Brick and sand Godowns, two two-storyed
warehouses, and ample store-rooms, and
ordinary accommodation, hot-water, pressure
boiler, &c. &c.

In the rear, and separated from the main
buildings by a street or lane, are two plots of
ground, one containing 300 square yards or less,
and the other 1325 square yards or less. These
plots are held for terms of years, and are
subject to a rent of £100 per annum, and the
1st July, 1911, the rent will be £150 per annum
and £72 per year. These rents, together with
the advances and the Company will be entitled
to the benefit of any increase so paid.

On these properties are erected:—

One House (three stories) containing twelve
rooms, with bathroom and other conveniences.

One House (two stories) containing eight
rooms and similar conveniences.

One House (two stories) containing four
rooms, used for gentlemen's visits.

One House (two stories) containing twelve
rooms, used for servants' quarters.

One House containing four rooms, and
similarly utilized.

The newly erected and commodious stables
are now completed for five pairs.

In the stable, for certain China Ponies,
with new saddles, bridles, and other requisites
for carrying on a heavy stable.

In addition to the foregoing the Company
will acquire, without further payment, the
entire stock in trade, Wines, Liquors, and
Furniture, and reserve stocks of Wines, &c.,
Cigars, Bed and Table Linen, Glass Ware,
Catering, &c., and the like, to the Hotel, a
large supply of which has recently pur-
chased. There is also connected with the
business a powerful Steam Launch, built during
the present year especially for the requirements
of the Hotel at a cost of over £3,000. This
Launch is well adapted for picnic parties, as it
contains a lofty cabin capable of seating 20 persons,
and is so designed as to withstand heavy weather.
The Launch is also included in the purchase.

The Hotel contains for the accommodation of
guests 50 double beds and 9 single beds. All
the rooms are lighted by electricity, and the
main building is fitted for gas in addition.

The Company will take over the business
as "The Trust & Loan Company of
China, Japan, and the
Straits, Limited,"

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED £2,000,000
PAID UP CAPITAL £2,000,000
RESERVE FUND £250,000

RENTS accepted at CURRENT RATES OF
PERCENTAGE.

JAS. B. COUGHTRELL,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 16th April, 1890.

THE HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANK-
ING CORPORATION.

NOTICE

IN ADDITION to our present Business
in this Colony as SHAREHOLDERS & GENERAL
BROKERS, We have to-day established
a new GENERAL AUTHORITY
APCAE BROTHERS.

35, Queen's Road Central,
Hongkong, 5th April, 1890.

NOTICE

THE RESPONSIBILITY of Mr. G. EORG
PEANZ MOSEB SACHS is in our
Firm Ceased on the 1st of July, 1890.

F. NADDIN & CO.

Hongkong, 1st August, 1890.

NOTICE

DURING my Temporary Absence from the
Colony Mr. J. W. G. BROKER is
appointed Acting MANAGER.

GEO. PENWICK & CO. LIMITED.

GEO. PENWICK,
General Manager.

EDWARD ANDREW (Messrs. Andrew, Mendel
& Co.)

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